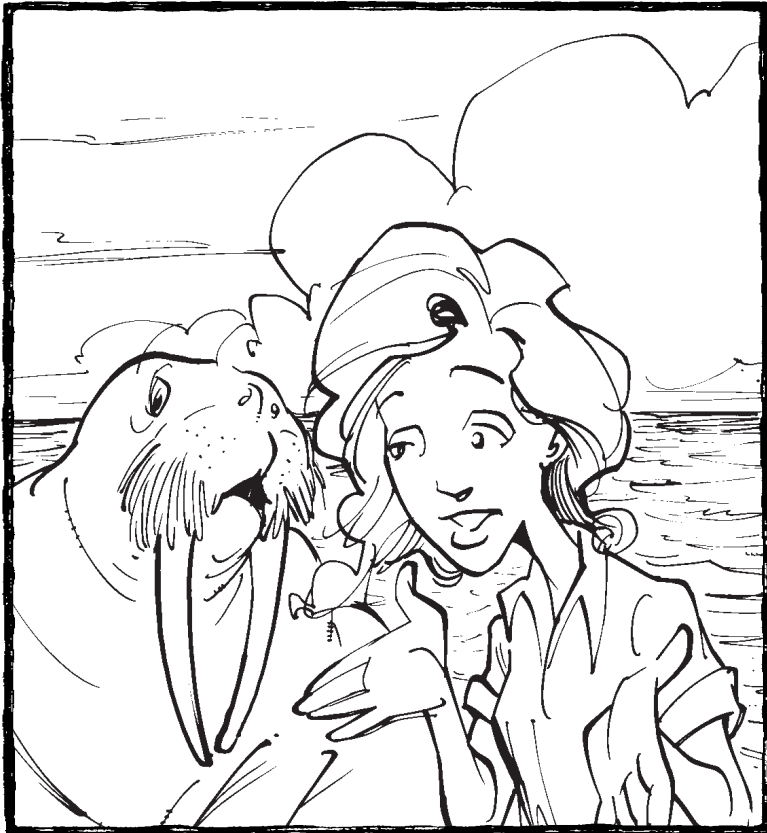


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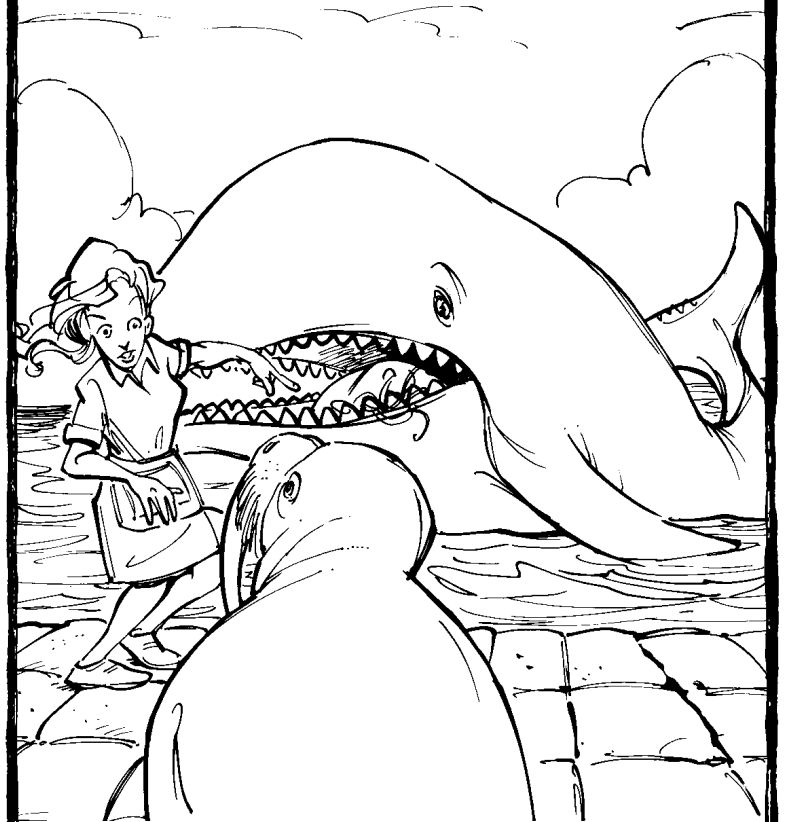
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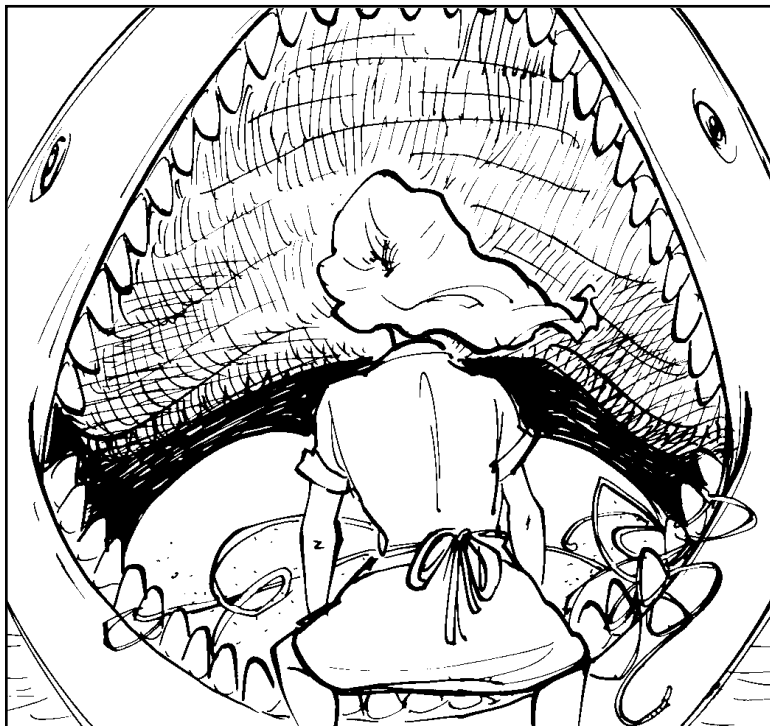
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wonderful, Wednesday, walking, wailing, water, water's, wild, weird, walrus, wobbled, way, waves, welcomed, while, wise, worried, whale(s), weight, weak, week, waters, winter, wow, wonder(ed), waitress, warehouse, walnuts, warn, witch, wand, walked, wobbled, wonderful, woman, whispered, wanted, wide, wire, wound, won't, wiggled, whale's, wealthy

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One wonderful Wednesday morning
I was walking on the beach, when I heard
a wailing sound coming from the water.

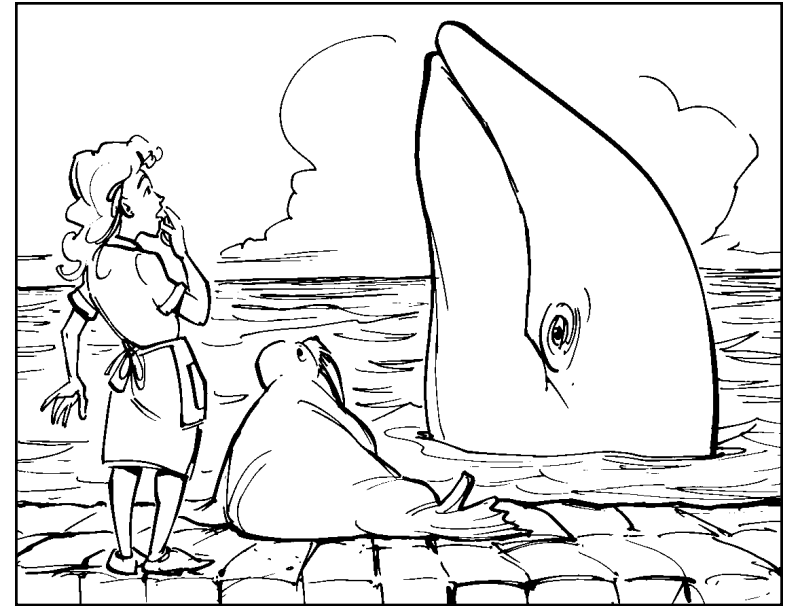
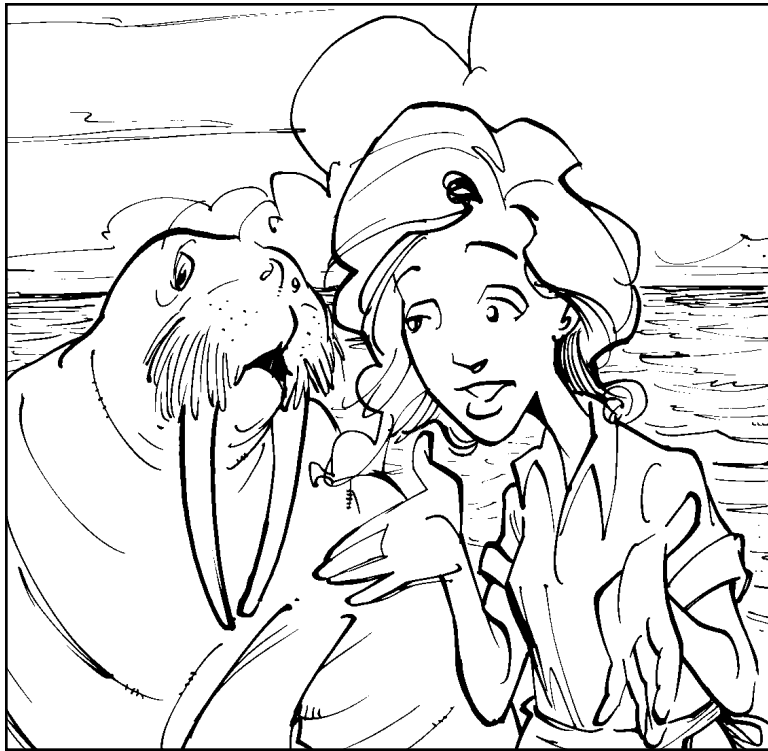
When I went to the water's edge, a wild
and weird walrus wobbled its way out
of the waves and welcomed me to walk
for a while.



“Why do you want me to walk with you?”
I asked.

“You look very wise,” said the old walrus.
“I am worried about my friend, the whale,”
he added. “She has lost a lot of weight
and is very weak. I wish you could help
make her well. Next week, she has to
swim to the warm waters of the south
for the winter.”

“Wow, I wonder what I can do! I know nothing about whales,” I said. “I am a waitress, not a vet. I was on my way to the warehouse to pick up some walnuts. I will see what I can do, but I warn you, I am not a witch with a magic wand,” I told the walrus.



I walked while the walrus wobbled along beside me. We went to the seawall and there, I saw the unwell whale.

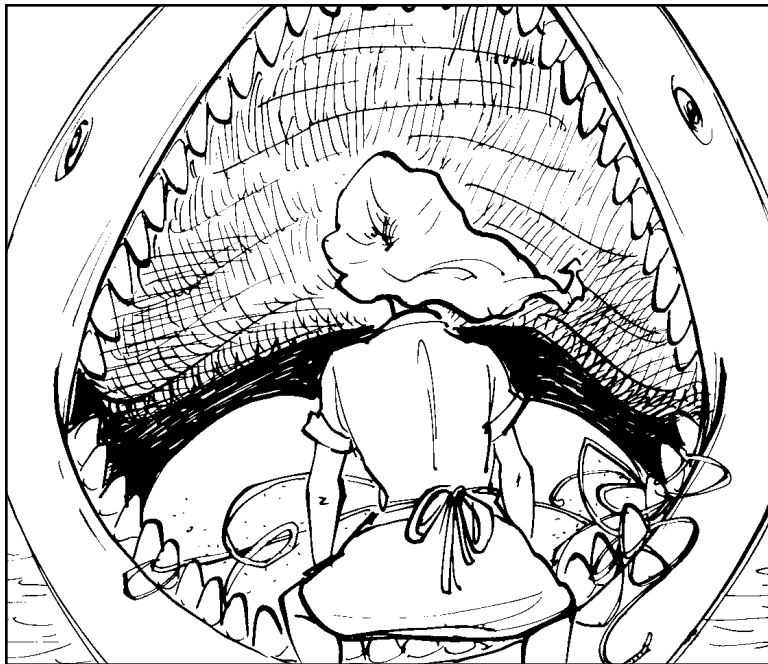
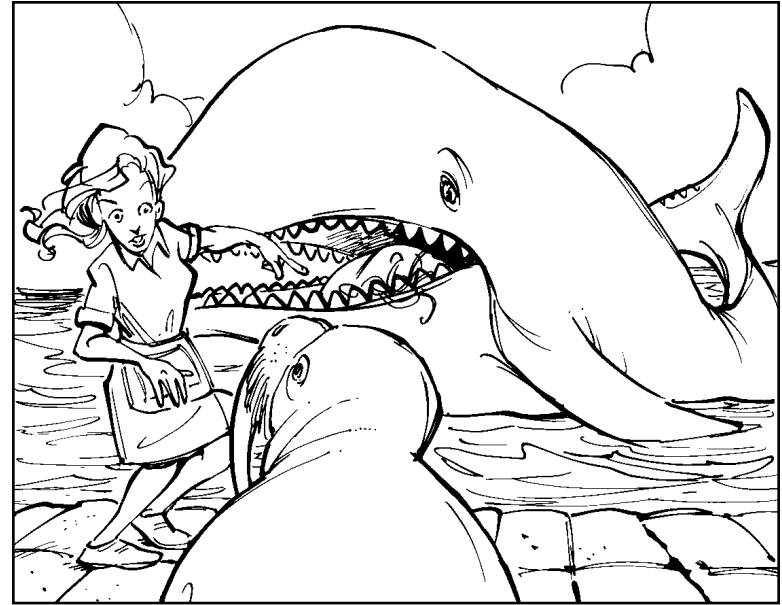
“This wonderful woman has come to make you well,” said the walrus to the whale.

“Why did you say that?” I whispered to the walrus. “I told you, I am just a simple waitress.”

I wondered what to do. I wanted to help the poor whale. “What would a doctor do?” I asked myself.

“Open wide,” I said to the whale.

When her mouth was wide open, I looked inside. What I saw was some thick wire wound around her teeth.



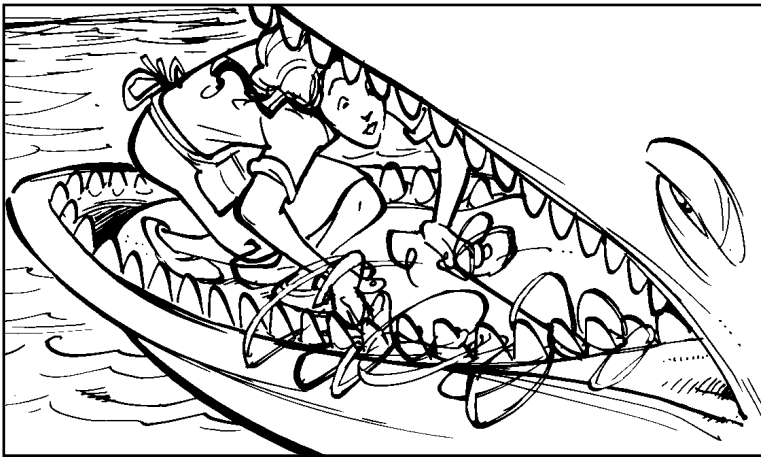
“I think I’ve found the problem,” I told the walrus. “There’s wire wound around her teeth. She’s lost weight and is weak because she can’t eat properly.”

“Can you take the wire away?” asked the walrus.

“She’s too big. I can’t reach into her mouth,” I answered.

“You’ll have to walk into her mouth,”
said the walrus. “Don’t be worried —
she won’t hurt you.”

I was worried, but I wanted to help the
poor whale, so I walked across her tongue
and into her mouth. I pulled the wire,
but it was stuck. I wiggled it back and
forth, and eventually it moved. I kept
tugging and, at last, the wire was released
from the whale’s teeth.



I quickly jumped out of the whale’s
mouth and onto the seawall. The whale
and the walrus were so happy.

“Thank you, thank you,” said the walrus.
“You are very wise and brave. Now we will
make you wealthy.”

The walrus gave me five big shells. Inside
each shell was a perfect white pearl.

